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## Column One By David Courtney

THE Government of a democratic country is everybody's business, and it is one of the regionally peculiar qualities of Israel that it is no exception to an excellent rule. Today's voting will be a serious and consequential affair and the result will be a Parliament representative of the wishes of the people. It may prove not to be a very stable Parliament and not to provide a particularly good government; but the electors will have no one but themselves to blame in that case and none but themselves to congratulate if matters turn out well.

So far so good. But no one will pretend any longer that the democratic system can be left to itself and can be depended on to work out the national salvation merely on its virtues as an experienced machine. France, today, is a present and painful example of the way the democratic machine can be clogged and dislodged until the tendency to set it aside and replace it with the simpler devices of personal rule grows alarming.

WHAT is happening to the system in France and many another country is due in large degree to the development of political sectionalism. The ideal of national service has given way to the arrogant selfishness of group interests and to the uneasy alliances brought about by power share-outs and often paid for with the principles upon which the electors' judgments were founded. In that way, a Parliament fairly elected to accord with the wishes of the electorate may produce a Government which accords only with the arithmetic of party statecraft.

NOWADAYS above all, there is need of a democratic Government based upon the needs and aspirations of the whole nation and capable of governing. Political sectionalism is often encouraged by the electorate itself, members of which are disposed to cast their vote not on the basis of acceptable national principle but on that of purely personal calculations of profit and loss. The shopkeeper who chooses his Party solely on the grounds that it will give him more goods to sell is as undemocratic and as much an instrument of the political "racket" as the worker whose vote is cast solely on a promise of higher wages. It is precisely that kind of electoral selfishness which has weakened the democratic system to the point where, in one country after another, it has become powerless against the blows of high-disciplined extremists.

THE State of Israel needs a Parliament and Government concerned with the interests of the whole nation. A great many of the people who will vote today are subject to infinite personal discomfort, anxiety and distrust. It is a background which, to a large extent, may be unavoidable, but against which the bemusing effects of electoral propaganda are big. Yet these voters, too, should know that their future lies not in any quick amelioration of present discomforts but in the direction of the whole country towards an integrated social and economic community, building from a carefully-laid and enduring foundation.

IRRITATION is no guide to a man's democratic duty on election day. Purely personal interest is as guide to it except where that personal interest is a true constituent of the national interest. An intelligent assessment of a Party's capabilities and intentions in relation to the major problem of the State and not merely to questions of purely sectional or personal interest, provides the only guide. By means of that assessment, today, Israel, which is one of the most politically mature democracies in the world, can give itself a firm, constructive, people's Government, with a mandate to carry out its equally democratic and responsible performance.

Tel Aviv, July 30.

## Both Sides Refuse To Budge in Korea Cease-Fire Talks

TOKYO, Sunday (Reuters). — After today's 15th truce session at Kaesong which began and ended deadlocked on the buffer zone, Pyongyang radio, apparently preparing its listeners for possible break-down, said the cease-fire talks here were not progressing favourably and accused the U.S. of "paying lip service to peace."

The U.N. communique reported "little tangible progress" today. Both sides held firm to previously stated views, it added. Pyongyang radio said the U.S. cease-fire delegates "incurred the indignation of the entire Korean nation" by ignoring Communist proposals for a cease-fire on the 38th parallel, an exchange of prisoners and the withdrawal of all foreign troops.

A broadcast picked up in Tokyo accused the U.N. of planning aggression against important areas of Korea. It pledged the Communist delegates at the Kaesong conference to meet these ambitions "with fierce opposition."

Today's talks began at 1100 local time and adjourned at 1900 (local time) until Monday. Communist delegates at first tried to "explore matters not pertaining to the current armistice negotiation," the U.N. communique said.

Vice Admiral Charles Turner Joy, Chief U.N. delegate, urged in reply that the conference talks be limited to the immediate military problem.

The normally unsmiling Chinese and North Korean delegates were smiling slightly when they left the cease-fire conference house today. The whole Communist delegation appeared confident. Bitter fighting on the east coast and eastern sectors died down today, when the Communists force larger than a platoon. Allied patrols dispersed Communist platoons northwest of Namsang.

## Persians See Basis for Talk

TEHERAN, Sunday (Reuters). — Persia tonight replied to new British proposals on the oil dispute, forwarded from London by President Truman's special oil envoy, Mr. Averell Harriman, earlier today. Cabinet sources here indicated the response was "favourable and should result in discussion."

## Terms of Iraq Oil Agreement

BAGHDAD, Sunday (Reuters). — The daily "Al-Naba" (The Dawn), the newspaper of the Iraqi Nationalist Party, which supports nationalization of Iraq's oil industry, published today what it said were the terms of the "complete agreement" reached in the Iraq-Anglo oil talks. Well-informed quarters here said they believed the newspaper version to be correct.

The terms of agreement as reported were:

- The Iraq Government will receive 50 per cent of the share in the Iraq Petroleum Company and the Mosul Petroleum Company; 25 per cent of the share will be paid in cash. This will be paid at Mediterranean oil prices.

The annual minimum crude oil production will be 22 million tons from the Kirkuk oilfield and eight million from each of the Basra and Mosul fields.

In the event of a stoppage of oil production, for any reason, the Iraq Government's share will not be less than 25 million Iraq dinars annually.

The oil companies will supply the Iraq Government refinery with an amount of crude oil needed by the management at not more than 31 shillings a ton and the Iraq Government will pay the oil companies 60,000 dinars annually for pumping crude oil from Basra to Baghdad refinery.

The Iraq Petroleum Company agreed to pay the Iraq Government five million dinars revaluation and compensation for the expropriation of the oil field.

If in the future Persia should receive better terms than the Iraq Government and the Iraq Petroleum Company will reconsider their agreement in the light of the Anglo-Persian pact.

No mention is made of whether the pipeline to the Haifa refinery is to be leased to the Iraq Government. In London, however, responsible quarters today said the above terms to be only "partially accurate."

That Mr. Ben Gurion's statement that Jewish revolutionaries had been "on the wheels of the revolution" was a "base lie," and then commented Mr. Ben Gurion's agent "dragging the chariot of his American lords."

The Prosecution had confined itself to the three accusations of treachery, enmity to the working class and base lying. Judge Ginosar held all three were libellous of the Prime Minister, and that the accused had not written "in good faith" as defined by the law, which demanded that a person should make reasonable inquiries before publishing such statements.

Judge Ginosar examined and rejected all the arguments brought forward by the accused to prove their statements. They were also ordered to publish the judgment and the sentence in "Kol Ha'am," "Al Hamishmar" and "Hador" at their own expense.

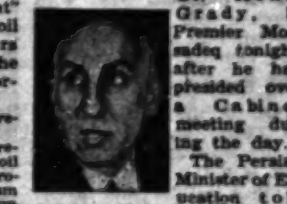
The libellous statements were published in a leading article in "Kol Ha'am" written in answer to a speech made by the Prime Minister at a labour youth rally in October, 1949. In that speech, Mr. Ben Gurion had warned his listeners against the danger to the Jewish people from within, from the Jewish Communists, who had blessed the riots fomented by the Muslim in 1949 as a revolt against "Zionist enslavers," just as the Jewish revolutionaries of 70 years ago had hailed the pogroms in Russia as a step toward the revolution.

In his reply, "Kol Ha'am" said "In wild provocation against the great Bolshevik Party, against Jewish Communists and against the Israel Communist Party... without any restraint or shame the Prime Minister had uttered before thousands of working Jewish youth, words which were only a bait to their people and enemies of the working class have dared to utter."

The article proceeded to declare

A large-scale purge of high-ranking Communist Party officials is now under way in the Central Asian Muslim Republics of the U.S.S.R., according to a recent report in "Turkmenkaya Iskra."

The First Secretary of the Party in Turkmenistan, Shad-sha Khaydarov, has been deposed, and control has been temporarily assumed by a Russian, Mikhail Yegorov.



Dr. Henry Grady, Minister of Education, after today's meeting that the reply should dispel any British doubts about Persia's good faith.

He said Mr. Harriman's message, indicated that the British have now accepted the Persian oil nationalization law, and added that he expected a British delegation to be here by the weekend.

The Minister of Justice commented: "The reply is clear and definite. It should satisfy the British."

Deputy Premier Hussein Fattal said: "We feel certain the delegation will come. Mr. Harriman has explained to us the complete British point of view."

Dr. Grady, meanwhile, was transmitting the reply to Mr. Harriman. He would make no comment.

Earlier, a member of the Oil Commission denied reports that the Anglo-Persian refinery in Abadan would be closed down on Tuesday. "It can run for a further ten days and there is hope we will reach agreement with the British," he said.

Informed Persian sources said one of the British Cabinet members, who had been in Tehran to supervise the electoral preparations.

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The important thing, Mr. Crossman said, is to settle the misunderstanding between the West and the Middle East, and for the Middle East to have her own independent policy. "Then there can eventually be peace."

## Congressman Fronts for Egypt

WASHINGTON, Sunday (UPI). — Representative Ed Gossitt of Texas who resigned from Congress, effective at the end of July, to take a high-salaried job in flooding Washington with anti-Zionist propaganda, prepared by the Egyptian Ambassador.

Using his postal-franking privileges, he has mailed thousands of Egyptian propaganda, which he has also inserted in the Congressional Record. The literature was sent not only to Congressmen but also to the home addresses of employees of Congressmen and to almost every newspaperman in Washington.

## U.S. Is Deciding Factor in Fate Of Suez Issue

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent

HAIRY, Sunday. — I understand that no particular significance is attached here to the fact that the Security Council debate on the Suez Canal blockade was adjourned until Wednesday by which time the chairmanship will have passed from the delegate of the U.K., Sir Gladwyn Jebb, to the U.S. delegate Mr. Warren Austin.

It is pointed out that the final outcome of the debate is not connected in any substantial degree with the chairmanship of the Security Council, but is more likely to be affected by the attitude ultimately decided upon by the U.S. Government, irrespective of the Council's chairmanship.

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The result will probably depend on whether agreement can be reached between the principal powers on the actual text of the resolution to be proposed. Since it is precisely on this point that discussions between the interested delegations are now going on it would be rash to make predictions now.

The interest of leading nations in guaranteeing freedom of navigation through the Suez Canal is still manifest and is certain to be reflected in the final decisions of the Security Council.

## VENIZELOS WILL CARRY ON

ATHENS, Sunday (UPI). — King Paul last night refused the resignation of Premier Sophocles Venizelos, and asked him to remain in power with his cabinet.

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## New Jordan Cabinet 'Is Britain's Enemy'

LONDON, Sunday (Reuters). — King Abdullah's assassination "is the same tragic story of Persia, where the oil crisis began with the assassination of another friend of Britain, General Razmara," Mr. Richard Crossman, left-wing Member of Parliament writes in the "Sunday Pictorial" here today.

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## Minion To Talat Uged

CAIRO, Sunday, (UPI). — Colonel Abdullah a-Tel, former military governor of Jerusalem who broke with King Abdullah and fled to Egypt, today called for the appointment of an "Arab medical mission" to examine the Emir Talat.

There is confusion about the issue of Emir Nafi's regency, which he has also inserted in the Congressional Record. The literature was sent not only to Congressmen but also to the home addresses of employees of Congressmen and to almost every newspaperman in Washington.

## Nation Goes to Polls To Elect 2nd Knesset

More than 1,500 polling stations will be opened throughout the nation at 8 o'clock this morning when an estimated 880,000 voters will be eligible to cast ballots for Israel's Second Knesset. From the 17 lists contesting the election 120 members will be returned to the Assembly. Election eve was reported to be quiet everywhere as the people, except for those in essential services, began to observe the holiday.

## 75,000 ARABS HAVE FRANCHISE

About 75,000 Arab residents are eligible to vote today. The Arab population is 175,000. This compares with the 32,000 Arabs who were eligible to vote in the 1949 Knesset elections. Three Arab lists are affiliated with Mapai, while other Arab candidates appear on the Mapai and Communist lists. With the exception of Syria, Israel is the only other country in which Arab women participate in parliamentary elections.

## Haifa an Example Of Moderation

HAIFA, Sunday. — With the conclusion of the Haifa election campaign, a perfect example of moderation, minimum of noise and absence of serious incidents, Haifa is relaxing for voting day tomorrow when approximately 125,000 will be entitled to go to the polls.

A total of 183 polling booths within the municipal area have been set up.

Most of the town's taxis have been reserved by the District Committee and the various parties. All police personnel are standing by.

Unaffected by the election fever, the ingathering of exiles through Haifa port goes on. Two ships, the S.S. Galah which arrived yesterday and the S.S. Chabes, landed well over 600 immigrants today. They are mainly from North Africa, Bulgaria, Austria, Germany and Turkey. Nearly another 1,000 will be coming from Rumania in the S.S. Transilvania.

Forty-three chronically ill, disabled and aged survivors of German camps who were due on the S.S. Arshah on Friday, but travelled to the S.S. Galah instead, were among those who disembarked this morning. They are the eighth transport of invalids who are being taken care of by Haifa here. Among them were ten tuberculars and several other chronic cases.

Among the Galah passengers was also a group of over 100 Jewish students mainly from France and a few from Austria and Anglo-Saxon countries. They will spend about a month of their summer vacation at studies in towns and villages here.

## BEDUIN CLAIM ELECTION THREAT

BEERSHEVA, Sunday. — Beduins of the tribe of Sheikh Suleiman el Arail, living opposite Kibbutz Shival near here, have asked the police for protection against a "campaign of terror" which they claim has been started against them by their Kibbutz neighbours. One cow was killed, two children slightly hurt and a camel wounded when fire was opened on the tribe's herds, they claim.

The Minister of Police, Mr. B. Shitrit today visited the Sheikh and inspected measures taken to ensure their safety. The tribesmen say that the settlers were threatening their lives should they not vote for Mapai.

## APPROVED LISTS TO ZIONIST CONGRESS

The following are the parties whose election for the 23rd Zionist Congress have been approved by the Committee on World Elections to the 23rd Zionist Union, World Federation of General Zionists, Mizrahi Organization, World United Workers Party (Poalei Zion-Hashomer Hatzair, L'Ahud Ha'avoda), World Zionist Revisionist Union (Herut-Zionist Revisionist Union (Independent)).

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## Tel Aviv in Quiet Mood

By Sraja Shapiro

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — This city is preparing for the Knesset election tomorrow in a quiet, almost solemn atmosphere. Tomorrow is a holiday by order of the Government, except for vital services, and newspapers. Transport is also excluded from the election holiday order and most taxis have already been booked by political parties to bring their supporters to distant polling stations.

## 143 Stations In Jerusalem Area

A total of 143 polling places will be open in the Jerusalem area today to accommodate about 85,000 eligible voters in the city and outlying communities, including the Corridor. The 99 stations inside the city limits will be open from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m., while the 44 voting places outside the city will be open until 9 p.m.

It was pointed out that some polling places may begin somewhat later than the scheduled time if one or more members of the local committees are late. The election law provides that the polls must begin work at 7 a.m. regardless of the number of members present.

The only polling station to be located in a hospital, will be at the leper hospital in Jerusalem.

Arrangements have been made to permit the police guards on Mr. Scopus to vote by changing the guard today instead of on Wednesday, as scheduled.

Political activity came to a standstill last night as all parties generally adhered to the 7 p.m. deadline.

Up to the last minute party trucks mounting loudspeakers toured every section of the capital. Police reported that only a few trucks continued to circulate and electioneer after the deadline, but that their drivers claimed they were "on their way home."

No incidents were reported. As the noise of loudspeakers died down last night, the streets became crowded and it was evident that people enjoyed the relative quiet. Later, people jammed cafes and cinemas.

## Two Chief Contestants

The main struggle during the past three weeks has been between two parties, Mapai and the General Zionists. Those are the only parties that depend on the popular voter, most others relying mainly on their organized members. The elections will prove whether the trend towards a two-party electorate advocated by many Mapai leaders as "best for the country" is in fact taking place.

Forecasters are difficult on the eve of the vote, as many of the electorate — in this town at least — seemed to be more undecided today than they were a month ago. It is expected that the turnout will not be very large. High Mapai officials felt sure last week that their party would get the 55 per cent necessary for the "stable government" required by the Prime Minister.

Less partisan observers seem to agree that Mapai might get about 50 seats in the Second Knesset; General Zionists about 30; Mapai 15 to 18; Herut 10; Hapoel Hamizrabi 6; Communists 5; Progressives 3; Agudat Israel 3; Mizrahi 3; General Zionists Sephardim 1 or 2.

Enormous sums have been spent on the campaign, which lasted for more than two months. According to some estimates nearly 11,000 were spent on posters, canvassing, meetings and transportation.

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## Your Responsibility

Today you are going to the polls for one major reason: to give Israel a stable government.

We all want a healthy state. Your choice is between luxuries for the few and necessities for us all. Your choice is between queues in the shops for a fair ration and uncontrolled prices you will not be able to pay. Your choice is between public spirit and private profiteering.

This is no time for the pressing of sectional claims! We are facing four hard years. The enemy without is threatening war. Within, the needs of mass immigration do not permit us luxury or self-indulgence. Three more concrete houses in a border settlement, or three more refrigerators for those who can afford them? It is for you to decide. But remember: If now the established resident should show selfishness, and vote into being a Government that is committed to give him more, while giving the helpless newcomer less, our future will be dark. For the newcomer will not always be helpless. And it is selfishness that sows the seeds of social strife.

We insist on equality of sacrifice. We insist that unity is Israel's greatest need. We insist that tolerance is a part of our tradition.

Special interests are aspiring to make their loud-mouthed spokesmen the leaders of the Israel of tomorrow. They will not succeed. For you know that you can trust David Ben Gurion, the Ministers who have helped him and the Israel Labour Party from which they spring.

Think Before You Vote... Vote...











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### NINE hundred thousand men and women of Israel, nearly 400,000 more than at the election of the Constituent Assembly in January, 1949, are privileged today to exercise their right to decide on the government of the next four years. The Parties have had their say, though few with anything like a definite programme. Fewer still can point to past achievement.

Time will bring political maturity and political responsibility to all our Parties. But the electorate facing a bewildering array of lists, will by now have decided between those likely to lead the country to victory and those others who might well bring about stagnation and unrest.

Six major trends, with vastly different numbers of adherents, are appealing to the voters: Mapai, the party of pioneers and of progress; Mapam, the three-cornered party of the dialecticians; the religious group, divided in itself; the General Zionists and Progressives — one reactionary anti-labour, the other liberal pro-labour; Herut, with its underground past but no social or economic plan; and the Communists, with their alien allegiance.

The voter's choice is not between slogans. The experience of the last three years is his only sure guide. Only false prophets will promise fair weather, but what we have today, we owe to the Ben-Gurion leadership. This leadership must be entrusted with the key to unlock the store of tomorrow.

With the envelope containing the vote, every man and woman can strengthen or weaken our capacity for meeting the forces of tomorrow. With a slip of paper the voter helps decide what direction the nation takes, and whether those in front are advancing or retreating. The choice is between going forward or going backward, between shibboleths and realism, between illusion from Right or Left and consecrated purpose.

Let the voter ask himself which of the Parties, during the years of trial and error and achievement, led the nation on the hard road to independence, at the same time fighting every inch of the way against want and exploitation, serving freedom and honouring conscience. The Israel Labour Party claims no monopoly in love of country and people. It does claim the right to a mandate to forge a people's hope into stern and sturdy will. The rough outline has been traced, from sacrifice to sovereignty to security. But we are only at the beginning. Who shall lay the upper courses now the lower are in place — that is the question.

A FEATURE of the world's growing tendency to turn itself into rival groups of technocrats is the increasing disinterest with their lot of scientists, artists and humanists. Little maintains a precarious foothold in the modern world only because it provides a lingua franca of jargon for lawyers and some scientists. People who specialize in poetry are callously informed by statisticians that they form only one per cent of the population, and infer from this damning figure that they are of no use to society. That is to say, they are perfectly well aware of their real use to society as upholders of the aesthetic standard and interpreters of the unmeasurable part of man's spirit, but cannot persuade society to pay them the rate for the job. In terms of the Capet brothers, the private patron is a kind of beetle, rotting his ball of dung only to be plucked in the name of equity by the taxman or the tax-gatherer.

No, although modern Benvenuto Cellinis and Leonardos may receive commissions from public bodies, the general possessors of what used to be called "a liberal education" are reduced to the kind of poverty which was the hallmark of the medieval European scholar, without that worthy's chance of becoming an archbishop with huge revenues. Ambitious mothers, tear up your infants' imaginative scribbles, and give them dried peas to count.

## TEHERAN'S RIOTS AND POLITICOS

By Rawls Knox

WHO will follow Dr. Mossadeq as Pahlavi's Prime Minister? Someone must succeed Mossadeq and succeed him soon, for he has promised to remain at his post only until nationalization is a fact and he may not, for he is a really sick man, be able to play as long as that.

Currently the best is on Faslullah Zadeh, the Minister of the Interior, who is accused on all sides in the Majlis (Parliament) of provoking the shooting in the recent fatal Tehran riots. Although Zadeh is Nationalist and anti-Communist and could thus conceivably be accused of ultra-hardness against the Tudeh (Communist inspired left-wing party) demonstrators, a more likely reason for the attacks on him is that a week ago he was being strongly tipped as successor to Mossadeq.

Mossadeq, who has been in politics a third of his life, knew how to ride a nationalist wave when it started breaking, and he has done so with noteworthy success. Zadeh has come riding after him and so has the outspoken Foreign Minister, Bagher Kazemi, who is also considered as a candidate for the Premiership. The latter's faction in the Majlis undoubtedly added to the uproar against Zadeh in Monday's Majlis debate.

"Tollers' Party" Yet Zadeh and Kazemi are not really big men. As important, and considerably tougher, is the Anglophobe National Frontier Mosaffar Bagal, at present without ministerial rank. It was he who, appointed to the Parliamentary commission to inspect the documents found in the Anglo-Iranian offices, took the lead in demanding the prosecution of the A.I.O.C. officials. Semi-uniformed youths of his recently formed "Tollers' Party" lounge behind him as he sets off for the Majlis. They had a sordid scrap with the Communists on the night of the great Moslem Bairam festival

### JOCKEYING FOR POSITIONS IN IRAN

## TEHERAN'S RIOTS AND POLITICOS



Riots broke out in Tehran recently when Tudeh (Communist) Party "Partisans of Peace" demonstrating against Mr. Harriman and the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company, clashed with their bitter enemies, the National Front, who were running a similar demonstration. Express Photo

a fortnight ago. This affair has now been conveniently forgotten and Zadeh is blamed for the more recent and bloodier riots. Bagal is the only man capable of winning Tehran's students from the Tudeh and for this achievement his fellow nationalists know they must respect him.

Down in Abadan, thriving on publicity, is ex-journalist Eussain Makki, who has made himself the outstanding member of the National Oil Company's new board. Surrounded by obtrusive gunmen with orthodox padded shoulders and pointed shoes, spending hours being photographed in dramatic positions with a background of refinery chimneys or the British cruiser tying off Abadan at anchor, Makki also at intervals tips himself as next Premier.

Self-Made Man Makki is an unusual Majlis member in that he is a self-made man. A few years ago he was a moderately im-

poor journalist; now he is wealthy. While discreet about how this transformation occurred, Makki glories in the present; and he is a man to be considered. Unbiased witnesses who have seen him in action at Abadan agree that he has control of the mob and hasn't abused that control, that however much he may have infuriated the over-heated British refinery workers by his antics it is his influence that can and does keep the mob from anti-British violence.

One certain thing is that whoever does follow Mossadeq will only be able to make infinitesimal changes in Persia's oil policy. The country's temper is such that people are perfectly content to amble gently downhill in the wake of the Godarene swine. The Tudeh Party's comparative impotence is shown by its limited role of demonstrating against the United States, which is after all a third party in this affair. (Though this is not to

say that the Tudeh wouldn't gain if a Persian oil stoppage broke down the country's economy). The British Embassy in Tehran still faintly hopes that somehow Syed Zia, the Anglo-philic Mullah's (Moslem holy man) son will make a return to power, but his "National Will" Party has less popular support than the Tudeh and his past reliance on the British and his alleged desire to put women back behind veils hardly endear him to Persian intellectuals.

AMERICAN JEWS ARE LIBERALS To the Editor of THE POST Sir,—As an American newspaper publisher who for many years has taken an active part in American political life, I have been observing with keen interest the progress of your democratic election campaign. I have felt that I had no right, as a citizen of another country, to make any critical observations concerning Israel's great political debate. Today, however, I saw an announcement in your newspaper over the signature of the General Zionist Organization which implies that the bond between American Jewry and Israel will be strengthened if Israel citizens will only vote for the General Zionist Party!

This statement compels me to point out that American election returns have proved again and again that the vast majority of American Jews are liberals. As members of the Democratic Party (Liberal) we voted over and over for our great President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Our American Republican Party (Conservative) could only enlist the support of very few American Jews. Among these few who fought the election of President Roosevelt was Rabbi Aba Hillel Silver, whose picture appears at the top of today's advertisement.

Yours, etc., DOROTHY SCHIFF Publisher, New York Post Jerusalem, July 29

TEUTONIA To the Editor of THE POST Sir,—In your today's issue not less than nine General

DO YOU HAVE A POPULAR LOAN BOND?

### FOR YOUR VOTE

WHICH YOU GAVE THE PROGRESSIVES in elections to the First Knesset, THEY GAVE YOU and the State:

THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE. HE BUILT UP AN ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE whose INTEGRITY and INCORRUPTIBLE JUDICIARY ARE PRAISED BY ALL PARTIES.

THE STATE COMPTROLLER. In his reports HE EXPOSED WITHOUT HESITATION ALL DEFECTS AND SHORTCOMINGS of the administrative machinery and showed the ways for improvement.

THESE TWO OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS ARE UNANIMOUSLY APPRECIATED AND RECOGNIZED BY ALL PARTIES, FROM THE EXTREME RIGHT TO THE RADICAL LEFT.

When you give us TWICE and THRICE as many VOTES in ELECTIONS to the Second Knesset, we will give you in return TWICE AND THRICE as many POLITICAL ACHIEVEMENTS, so many words but constructive deeds of LASTING VALUE.

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 VOTE FOR LIST "פ"  
 THE LIST OF THE PROGRESSIVE PARTY

## Petsche Tries Again

M. PETSCHKE, Finance Minister in the last French Cabinet, is for the second time within one week faced with the difficult task of reconciling the diverse parties in his government.

M. Petsche is a jovial fat man who is popular with his fellow politicians — an astute manoeuvrer with unrivalled experience in getting himself elected, both under the Third and the Fourth French Republic.

His views are frankly old-fashioned; he likes balanced budgets, private initiative, individual liberties, at least for those who can afford them. His theories date from pre-Kryenian days, but he is sensible enough to know that compromise and bargaining will be necessary with the Left Wing groups in the House if France is to be governed at all.

Six Major Parties The six majority groups from left to right disagree on State versus private enterprise and they have the additional quagmire of Church v. State which plagues most Catholic countries. It has burst out worse than usual in France these days on the question of whether Church schools have a right to State aid. In modern conditions these schools will probably not be able to survive without some assistance and the Catholic Church regards the survival of Church schools as essential to maintain the faith.

M. Petsche himself is strongly on the Conservative side on economic and social issues, but is a member of an

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 For particulars please contact our Offices as above not later than 3 days before the tour.  
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**What the Voter should know:**  
 Voting Hours: Today, Monday, July 30, from 7 a.m. until 11 p.m.  
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 Our Information Centres: Information in all languages.

- 81 Rehov Ben Yehuda (Shop)
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## KEEPING POSTED

ALL Israel goes to the polls today, together with his wife and daughter (if she is over 18); almost half were not yet here for the last elections, and many come from places where you do not vote against your government even if you



dislike it — because either, as in Yemen, the ruler sees no need to ask what you think, or as in the Iron Curtain countries, you are expected to think he is right. Democracy, meanwhile, is a noisy, verbose process and the exhortations of the past week have left many citizens weary and bewildered. There are quite a few who say they have no mind left to make up, but we like best the remoteness of the woman who was trying to make herself heard near two rival loudspeakers both broadcasting music. She said simply that she would vote for whoever played "Carmen."

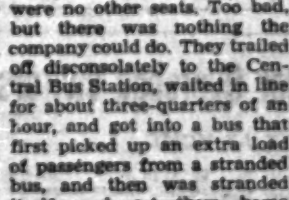
AFTER the much publicized General Zionist harangue to the Tel Aviv women queuing for ice, in which they were promised a continued dearth under Mapai, and ice on every door-step if they would help to bring in a "Zadeh" government, it was widely rumoured that the ice crisis was part of an election stunt. It proved a theme capable of endless elaboration — if the General Zionists could hold up the ice and drive the housewives crazy, then obviously Mapai had sent up planes to make the unseasonal rain that fell last week and so to reduce the need for ice. The first shower wasn't much, the second was a down-pour, by the time the elections came on we might be back in the middle of winter....

THERE are tourists and tourists. We know of a couple who were invited down to Herzlia for the day from Jerusalem and went to a taxi office to make arrangements for the trip back the next day. No, they couldn't book seats back from Tel Aviv; they should book them there. They were going straight to Herzlia! Too bad. No, a telephone call wouldn't get through before the office closed. Could they book return tickets to Tel Aviv, and so make sure of a place? Certainly. They felt rather foolish at this extravagance, but after all they were getting a free ride down.

DO YOU HAVE A POPULAR LOAN BOND?

Early next morning in Herzlia they anxiously went to book a seat on the taxi to Tel Aviv. They might book, but they couldn't be sure of their seat in time. They had better take a special car and make sure. It seemed a pity to endanger their expensive return tickets, and they took an expensive special car that cost almost as much as the double return fare to Jerusalem. They reached the Tel Aviv taxi office in good time, to discover that their tickets had by mistake been marked down for the previous day. No, there were no other seats. Too bad, but there was nothing the company could do. They trailed off disconsolately to the Central Bus Station, waited in line for about three-quarters of an hour, and got into a bus that first picked up an extra load of passengers from a stranded bus, and then was stranded itself, and got there home pretty late and tired. "But you see, that trip was really fun — we met all sorts of people, including an American who carried a heavy suitcase all the way from Lydda to Ramle because this is a pioneering country, and we met immigrants from Turkey and Persia and China, and altogether it was a thoroughly friendly journey. It's the only time we really saw Israel. It was really worth while even though it cost us nearly IL7."

LAST week we reported that a letter addressed to Israel had gone to Tokyo first. A proud reader has sent us an envelope that reached her promptly from Europe though it bore the following address, which might well have appeared cryptic even to a good post office geographer abroad:



we similarly stopped to listen on our chance way to the other side of the square. Here were the same movements, the same high-pitched voice, even an incipient lock of hair across the forehead. The only source of comfort was that the audience Begin drew was neither as large nor as bemused as Hitler's had been. When we commented on the likeness somebody said no, he wasn't so much like old Adolf himself, more like Charlie Chaplin's Dictator. After all we've said lately about our proof-reading recently, we've little to add after what they did to Mr. Begin's warning that Mapai "would now lead the State to disaster" for all that was changed was the letter "w" to the letter "t."

Today's contributors include Tishak Losh, Jerusalem, and H. Kuro and Hilde Anker, Tel Aviv.

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